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Mr. L. J. Henderson, Jr.  
Associate Director  
The Rand Corporation  
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Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Henderson:

Thank you very much for your letter of February 23 and for the separate cover enclosure, "Communism and the Russian Peasant and Moscow in Crisis", just received.

The two studies contained in this volume are being read with interest by some of the appropriate people here and I certainly appreciate your taking the time to bring the book to my personal attention.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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Mr. Allen Dulles  
 Director  
 Central Intelligence Agency  
 2430 E Street, N.W.  
 Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

I am sending you, under separate cover, a personal copy of the recently published book, Communism and the Russian Peasant and Moscow in Crisis, by Herbert S. Dinerstein and Leon Goure of RAND's social science staff. The two studies contained in it were prepared as part of RAND's Air Force research program.

The book deals with the nature and effectiveness of the Soviet government's control of the people of Russia. The first study examines in detail the peacetime relationship between peasants and agricultural officials, discusses Khrushchev's role in the making of Soviet agricultural policy, and suggests the reasons for the most recent failure of the agricultural program. The second part inquires into the strains to which the urban control apparatus was subjected during the three most critical days that Moscow lived through following the Nazi attack on the Soviet Union in World War II.

We believe these studies may contribute to understanding of the general problem of Soviet controls, and I hope you will find the book of interest. I would, of course, appreciate receiving any comments you may care to make.

Sincerely,

  
 L. J. Henderson, Jr.  
 Associate Director

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DULLES

The book in question is on your side table.  
General Cabell also received a copy from Mr.  
Henderson whom he apparently knows fairly well.

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